



## SURFACE MINING AND RECLAMATION DIVISION

April 3, 2006

Clyde Yancey, P.G., Senior Geologist Uranium Energy Corporation (UEC) 9302 Mystic Oaks Trail Austin, Texas 78750

RE: Issuance of Uranium Exploration Permit No. 123
Weesatche Project, Goliad County, Texas

Dear Mr. Yancey:

Uranium Exploration Permit No. 123 has been assigned to your application submitted by letter received on February 6, 2006. Please refer to Exploration Permit No. 123 in future correspondence regarding this permit. This permit will expire on February 6, 2007.

As stated in your application, your proposed permit area is shown on a map that contains topographic information. These delineations are satisfactory. Borehole drilling to a depth not exceeding 1,500 feet is the proposed exploration method. UEC does not indicate that it anticipates completing any borehole as a water or monitoring well. Borehole plugging and abandonment shall be required as follows:

bearing sands. Your annual affidavit must also include a cross section inspectors of representative logs used to determine plugging depths. In addition, inspectors of consult with the onsite geologist during field inspections to confirm proper plugging. A concrete surface plug must be placed at a depth from 3 to 13 feet below the ground surface (below root-plow depth). Downhole plugs, using cement-bentonite slurry (5-8% bentonite) shall be emplaced at a minimum of 50 feet above and below the waterbearing sands. Your annual affidavit must also include a cross section including In addition, inspectors may

during the permit year that is not plugged immediately or is cased for use as a well (water, monitoring, or piezometer well) must be identified on a map submitted as a part of your annual affidavit required pursuant to 16 Texas Admin. Code §11.139. Hole depth, completion information and measures taken to mark and protect each well must also be provided. Please note that the use of the cement-bentonite slurry is considered a cement plug and was not reviewed as an alternative plugging material under 16 Texas Admin. Code §11.138(4)(E). This exploration permit must be renewed annually until all wells are either: (1) properly plugged and abandoned; (2) transferred to the landowner with Commission approval; or (3) transferred to an active base permit issued by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, with the proper affidavits filed. We look forward to receipt of your affidavit for the 2005-2006 permit Pursuant to requirements at 16 Texas Admin. Code §§11.136-11.138, each exploration hole drilled

Please contact our Austin Office at (512) 463-6901 prior to commencing drilling and plugging activities. Should you have any questions concerning this permit issuance, please contact David Koran of this office.

Sincerely,

Melvin B. Hodgkiss, Director Surface Mining and Reclamation I

MBH/DCK/fij File Reference No. 0603701



9302 Mystic Oaks Trail Austin, Texas 78750

January 19, 2006

Mr. Melvin B. Hodgkiss, Director
Surface Mining and Reclamation Division
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Capitol Station, P.O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967

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Surface Mining Division

Permit Application to Conduct Uranium Exploration Activities Weesatche Project, Goliad County, Texas

Dear Mr. Hodgkiss:

County, Texas, and is being filed on behalf of Uranium Energy Corporation. Please find attached in triplicate, a Permit Application to Conduct Uranium Exploration Activities. This permit application is for our Weesatche Project located in Goliad

Randall Reneau at 258-8969. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 505-281-2815 or Mr.

Sincerely,

URANIUM ENERGY CORPORATION

Clyde L. Yancey, P.G. Senior Geologist

Texas Professional Geoscientist, #129

Attachments (3)

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### RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS

SURFACE MINING AND RECLAMATION DIVISION

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CAPITOL STATION - P O. BOX 12967

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# PERMIT APPLICATION TO CONDUCT URANIUM EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES

Reclamation Division. All items should be addressed completely. File in triplicate with the Director of the Surface Mining and

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(City)	Austin		Mailing Address	Name of Operator	(City)	Austin		Mailing Address	Name of Applicant
(State)	TX		9302 Mystic Oaks Trail	Uranium Energy Corp	(State)	TX		9302 Mystic Oaks Trail	Clyde L. Yancey, P.G.
(Zip Code)	78750	(Street or P.O. Box)			(Zip Code)	78750	(Street or P.O. Box)		
(Telephone)	512-258-8969	3)			(Telephone)	512-258-8969	.)		

- ΞĬ. Required Information (Regulation 11.136-.137, Texas "Uranium Mining Regulations")
- > Provide the geographic location, both description and maps, showing the boundaries of the at a scale of 1:24000) should show the topography and other geographic features. area of exploration for which right-of-entry has been granted. Maps submitted (preferably name of the county(s) in which exploration activities are to occur should also be provided.

#### See Attachment

₩. the equipment used Describe the method of exploration to be used (i.e., drill holes, pits or trenches, etc.), and

#### See Attachment

 $\Omega$ and the estimated number of acres that will be disturbed by exploration activities. Describe the extent of anticipated exploration, including the proposed depth of penetration

#### See Attachment

D. Indicate the approximate time period during which exploration activities will be performed Commission. Permits are issued for a period of one (1) year, and are renewable by application to the

#### See Attachment

- ĮV. Reclamation (Regulation 11.138, Texas "Uranium Mining Regulations")
- Þ. Identify plans for reclamation activities, including backfilling, grading, and revegetation methods to be used, and plans for disposal of any toxic or radioactive material.

#### See Attachment

₩. exploration and adjacent affected areas Describe plans necessary for the protection of surface and underground water in the

#### See Attachment

Note: Regulation 11.139 of the Texas Uranium Mining Regulations requires that the permittee submit a affidavit attesting to the plugging and reclamation of each exploration hole drilled, unless that year, setting forth the location of each exploration hole drilled under the permit, and submit an transfer of such wells must also be submitted to the Commission. hole has been transferred to the landowner or other person for use as a water well. Evidence of report to the Commission within six (6) months following the expiration date of each permit

jurisdiction. violate any to the best of my knowledge and belief, the project for which application is made will not in any way set forth and that the same are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further state that I, (name) Clyde L. Yancey, P.G., (title) Senior Geologist state that I have knowledge of the facts herein Date: January 24, 2006 law, rule, ordinance, or decree of any Signature: THE STATE OF THE S duly authorized Examinental entity having Geology LINE GEOLO STATE Clyde A SCIEN .

## Permit Application to Conduct Uranium Exploration Activities

### Uranium Energy Corporation Weesatche Project, Goliad County, Texas January 19, 2006

#### Section III

Required Information (Regulation 11.136-.137, Texas "Uranium Mining Regulations")

A and other geographic features. The name of the county(s) in which exploration Maps submitted (preferably at a scale of 1:24,000) should show the topography boundaries of the area of exploration for which right-of-entry has been granted activities are to occur should also be provided. Provide the geographic location, both description and maps, showing the

the attached topographic map. longitude W97°17'52". The specific boundaries of the permit request are highlighted on County, Texas (see attached map). They approximately occur south of latitude N28°53'75" and north of latitude N28°48'25", east of longitude W97°21'54" and west of All lands to be permitted under this application request are located in northeastern Goliad leases and is actively acquiring leases within the requested permit area. Uranium Energy Corporation (UEC) currently holds ", east of longitude W97°21'54" and west of

8 etc.), and the equipment used. Describe the method of exploration to be used (I.e., drill holes, pits or trenches,

All exploration activities will be undertaken by drilling, wire-line logging followed by test hole abandonment. Truck mounted, mud rotary drill rigs will be used.

0 penetration and the exploration activities. Describe the extent of anticipated exploration, including the proposed depth of estimated number of acres that will be disturbed by

the Pliocene Goliad Formation. It is conceivable that random, deeper tests may be drilled tests would be 1,500 feet below ground surface. to test the underlying Miocene Fleming and Oakville units. The maximum depth of these The average depth of penetration is 450 feet below ground surface, or through the base of

Each test hole and associated mud pit will disturb approximately 2,500 square feet, or approximately 1/17th of an acre. It is anticipated that a total of 140 test holes will be the area shown on the attached map. drilled during the first year of this permit period. These tests will be drilled throughout

D. application to the Commission. performed. Permits are issued for a period of one (1) year, and are renewable by Indicate the approximate time period during which exploration activities will be

initiating field work. desired by the Commission, UEC will contact a designated Commission contact prior to Exploration activities should occur throughout the period of the requested permit.

#### Section IV

Reclamation (Regulation 11.138, Texas "Uranium Mining Regulations")

N radioactive material. revegetation methods to be used, and plans for disposal of any toxic or Identify plans for reclamation activities, including backfilling, grading, and

allowed to dry, back filled with native soil, followed by the top soil. The backfilled pits native vegetation will establish over the disturbed area. This is based on past experience segregated from native soil and saved on site. Following drilling, the mud pit will be that no radioactive material exceeding ambient levels will be encountered. in this same area. will be compacted to above grade to allow for settlement. It is anticipated that volunteer Each test well will have a mud pit. During the digging of the mud pit, top soil will be There will be no toxic material allowed on site, and it is anticipated

B the exploration and adjacent affected areas. Describe plans necessary for the protection of surface and underground water in

It is controls (such as earthen berms) will be evaluated and installed as necessary. however, if it becomes apparent that surface water could be threatened, engineered not anticipated that any surface waters will be threatened by UEC activities;

that verification of the plug can be made by the Commission as required. If any water water Goliad sands. sands will be sealed off with a cement-bentonite slurry to prohibit intermixing with fresh bearing sands are encountered below the Goliad Formation sands, these deeper Miocene be one and one-half foot below ground surface. Each hole will be marked in such a way A ten-foot surface plug of concrete will be placed in each test hole, the top of which will



